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CPORT FREED U-2 PILOT TO GO HOME SOON

Roanoke, Va., March 9 (R)
-Freed U-2 Pilot Francis Gary
Powers is reported going home
to Pound, Va., "Monday or
Tuesday."

A big homecoming reception planned in Norton, where his father works, a community of 5,000 people in the southwestern corner of Virginia, a well informed source said.

Powers was reported undergoing a routine physical checkup at Georgetown university hospital in Washington, after spending 21 months in a Russian prison for espionage. He was freed Feb. 10 in exchange for a Russian spy, Rudolph Abel.